



OSLLE Goals

The OSLLE has established five strategic goals to carry out its programmatic and administrative duties to support the non-Federal law enforcement community on matters of national security:

1. Increase the efficacy of state, local, and tribal law enforcement to prevent acts of terrorism by improving information sharing, prevention and deterrence, response and mitigation, and training and exercises;
2. Align Department policies impacting State, local, and tribal law enforcement with the Secretary's strategic objectives;
3. Inform Department policy with the needs and missions of state, local, and tribal law enforcement;
4. Ensure that state, local, and tribal law enforcement are aware of and support Departmental policy, when applicable; and
5. Promote Departmental and interagency coordination for the development of technologies and applications that will assist our law enforcement partners in their mission.



“The Federal Government benefits from a robust information sharing infrastructure with state, local, and tribal law enforcement communities. Conversely, our partners benefit from having [the OSSLE] as their advocate and voice within DHS to help ensure that their issues, concerns, and challenges are understood and given full consideration during the budget, grant, and policy development processes. I believe this was the intention of Congress when it created and named my office, the Office for State and Local Law Enforcement.”

*- Assistant Secretary Louis F. Quijas,
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House of Representatives, Committee
on Homeland Security, Subcommittee
on Counterterrorism and Intelligence,
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Mission

The mission of the Office for State and Local Law Enforcement (OSLLE) is to formulate and coordinate national-level policy relating to law enforcement's role in preventing acts of terrorism, and to serve as the United States Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) primary liaison with state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies.

Overview

The OSLLE serves as the primary DHS liaison with state, local, and tribal law enforcement and provides the Secretary and DHS leadership with situational awareness and real-time information on the issues, concerns, and requirements of our non-Federal law enforcement partners and stakeholders.

Objective 1: Advise the Secretary on the issues, concerns, and requirements of state, local, and tribal law enforcement.

Initiative: Within DHS, the OSLLE serves as an advocate and voice for non-Federal law enforcement. As an outreach office, the OSLLE is responsible for ensuring that DHS leadership is aware of and considers the issues, concerns, and requirements of state, local, and tribal law enforcement during policy development and strategy formation. The OSLLE accomplishes this goal through regular communication and coordination with our nation's law enforcement associations.

Objective 2: Ensure that accurate, timely, and actionable information on DHS-administered grants is available to the non-Federal law enforcement community.

Initiative: In conjunction with other DHS entities, the OSLLE works to ensure that prospective DHS grant recipients have received a high-level of customer service in planning, applying, and administering grants.

Objective 3: Serve as the primary Department liaison to state, local, and tribal law enforcement.

Initiative 1: Through regular communications with non-Federal law enforcement associations and their members, the OSLLE keeps the law enforcement community up-to-date on Department-wide activities and initiatives such as "If You See Something, Say Something(TM)," the Blue Campaign, Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) Initiative (NSI), and the Department's efforts in Countering Violent Extremism.

Initiative 2: To ensure that information disseminated from the Department to the non-Federal law enforcement community is consistent and coordinated, the OSLLE chairs the Component Law Enforcement Outreach Committee (CLEOC), an intra-agency body that is comprised of members from across the Department.

Initiative 3: When appropriate, through regular interaction with the non-Federal law enforcement community, the OSLLE assists the Office of Intelligence and Analysis in expanding the dissemination of intelligence and strategic information.

Innovative Approaches

In an effort to assist state, local, and tribal law enforcement during tight fiscal times, the OSLLE is helping to identify options to meet current and future training requirements. In May 2012, the OSLLE coordinated a visit and tour at the DHS Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers' (FLETC) facility in Glynco, Georgia for the leadership of major law enforcement associations. During the visit, the FLETC team briefed attendees on the resources, capabilities, and training programs available at their state-of-the-art training facilities. The visit also provided an opportunity for FLETC to help identify training efficiencies and areas for future collaboration.

